

**REMARKS/ARGUMENTS**


In response to the Restriction Requirement dated December 9, 2003, Applicants elect with traverse Group I, Claims 1-14, drawn to a composition.

In view of the foregoing, the claims are now believed to be in form for allowance, and such action is hereby solicited. If any points remain in issue which the Examiner feels may be best resolved through a personal or telephone interview, she is kindly requested to contact the undersigned at the telephone number listed below.

All objections and rejections having been addressed, it is respectfully submitted that the present application is in a condition for allowance and a Notice to that effect is earnestly solicited.

Respectfully submitted,

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